

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANT :** Covelli                    **CONFIRMATION NO.:** 1368  
**SERIAL NUMBER. :** 10/523,618            **EXAMINER :** Jonathan R. Stroud  
**FILING DATE :** April 25, 2006            **ART UNIT :** 3774  
**FOR :** IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS  
STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicants appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's October 17, 2007 Office Action.

Applicants also submit the amount of \$270.00 for filing this Notice as required under 37 C.F.R. §41.20(b)(1).

Applicants submit a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the corresponding fee. With the extension, the Notice of Appeal is due on or before April 17, 2009 (June 14, being a Saturday).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with the papers transmitted, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 28558-501).

Respectfully submitted,

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